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SUBJECT: LOS - PRESIDENT AMERASINGHE

REF: (A) STATE 61452 (NOTAL), (B) COLOMBO 1003 (NOTAL)
- (C) GENEVA 4733

1. AS INSTRUCTED (PARA THREE, REFTEL A), AN APPROACH
WAS MADE BY EMBASSY TO MFA SUGGESTING THAT THE
NEW ZEALAND HIGH COMMISSIONER IN SINGAPORE (HENSLEY)
VISIT COLOMBO FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE FUTURE
ROLE OF LOS PRESIDENT AMERASINGE. MFA OFFICIALS AT THAT
TIME MERELY NOTED THAT BOTH HENSLEY AND FORNMIN TALBOYS
WERE IN AUSTRALIA AND THAT THE USG SUGGESTION WOULD BE
FORWARDED TO THEM. MFA OFFICIALS UNDERTOOK TO KEEP
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THE EMBASSY ADVISED.

2. AN MFA OFFICIAL TELEPHONED EMBOFF APRIL 3 AND
REQUESTED, IN LIGHT OF THE CURRENT DISCUSSIONS IN GENEVA
CONCERNING AMERASINGE (REFTEL C), THAT THE GNZ EFFORTS
BE MADE A MATTER OF RECORD. MFA SOURCE SAID THAT
TALBOYS INSTRUCTED HENSLEY (WHO WAS IN CANBERRA AS

MEMBER OF GNZ DELEGATION TO ANTARCTIC SPECIAL PREPARATORY SESSION) TO RETURN TO SINGAPORE VIA COLOMBO AND TO MAKE A SPECIFIC APPROACH TO THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT URGING THE INCLUSION OF AMERASINGE IN THE SRI LANKAN DELEGATION. HENSLEY MADE THE APPROACH AND REPORTED THE AGREEMENT OF THE SRI LANKANS, PROVIDED THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL WOULD WRITE THE SRI LANKANS MAKING SUCH A SUGGESTION. THE GNZ UNDERSTANDS THAT WALDHEIM REFUSED TO MAKE THE APPROACH. FURTHER, THE SOURCE SAID, THE GNZ UNDERSTANDS A SIMILAR APPROACH WAS MADE BY THE CANADIANS, AT THE PERSONAL URGING OF PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU, BUT WITH AN EQUAL LACK OF SUCCESS. SELDEN

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